Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Pam Blank gained much expertise in different fields of nursing through her work at a variety of places before joining the South Dakota Human Services Center (SDHSC) staff on December 3, 1984, as a registered nurse (RN); and,

Whereas, Pam's tenure at SDHSC found her serving both the old and new Human Services Center as a RN, RN supervisor, nursing service unit manager, human services nursing supervisor, PASSAR nurse, and human services staff nurse, which allowed her to once again work in direct patient care; and,

Whereas, Pam will be remembered for her passion of nursing care to the mentally ill and chemically dependent, and her co-workers will remember her professionalism, team work, dedication to her job, excellent nursing knowledge, positive mentorship, holistic patient care and compassion for the HSC patients; and,

Whereas, Pam's retirement time will find her shopping, cooking, gardening and spending more time with her four children, three grandchildren, extended family and friends; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to recognize the many accomplishments of this employee as she retires on September 5, 2006, with over 21 years of dedicated service to the state of South Dakota:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 5, 2006, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with her co-workers, family, and friends in wishing her a long, healthy, peaceful and enjoyable retirement.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifth Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

M. Michael Rounds

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State